



## Bobby Kirby, Sr.

August 24, 1934 - January 26, 2013

Bobby Ray Kirby, Sr., age 78, of Murrells Inlet died Saturday January 26, 2013 at the Medical University of SC.

Born August 24, 1934 in Spartanburg County, SC, he was the son of the late Homer and Nannie Kirby. Mr. Kirby was retired from the US Air Force as a loadmaster on flight status and traveled all over the world. He made air drops to both the North and South Pole. He was an instructor for the USAF and Army and trained them to load aircrafts. He earned many medals including the Army and Air Force Commendation medals. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Murrells Inlet, SC. Mr. Kirby was a member of the Mason Prudence Lodge #139 in Jonesville, SC. He was preceded in death by two brothers, two sisters, and a grandchild.

Survivors include wife, Wanda W. Kirby of Murrells Inlet; sons Bobby (Susan) Kirby, Jr. and Michael (Ines) Kirby both of Jonesville, SC; daughters Sherry Smith of Jonesville, SC and Teresa (Mark) Jolly of Moncks Corner, SC; a step son Jeff (Renee) Shipley of Gaffney, SC; step daughter Missy (Steve) Edwards of Shelby, NC; 18 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, two brothers, and three sisters.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, January 30, 2013 at 1:00 PM at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel. The family will receive friends one hour prior at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to American Cancer Society 950 48th Ave. N., Suite 101 Myrtle Beach, SC 29577.

Sign an online guestbook at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com).

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 30. 12:00 PM (ET)

Celebration Center  
11528 Hwy 17 Bypass  
Murrells Inlet, SC 29588  
(843) 651-3295  
info@goldfinchfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com>

## Service

JAN 30. 1:00 PM (ET)

Celebration Center  
11528 Hwy 17 Bypass  
Murrells Inlet, SC 29588  
(843) 651-3295  
info@goldfinchfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Goldfinch Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Bobby Kirby, Sr.*



---

**Goldfinch Funeral Home** - January 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bob, was a fun and kind person. We always enjoyed seeing him when we were at Horizon East and he visited his friends there. He will be missed. He always had a smile on his face and was happy to see everyone. We will keep Wanda and his family in our prayers.*

*With deepest sympathy,*

*Fred and Tommy Thompson  
Winston-Salem, N. C.*

---

**Tommy & Fred Thompson** - January 30, 2013 at 04:11 PM



“ *I extend my heartfelt sympathy to the Kirby family. May those precious memories of your dear loved one Bobby be foremost in your hearts and minds along with this wonderful promise that Jesus made at John 5:28,29. If you would like to know more about this promise, please do not hesitate to contact me at marbrad1129@gmail.com. Again, my sincere condolences.*

---

**M B** - January 30, 2013 at 08:33 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Bobby Kirby, Sr..



---

January 29, 2013 at 11:01 AM



“ Wanda, Michael and I are so sorry for the loss of a very special, special man! Bob was the greatest and so much fun. I am so glad that we got to spend some time together at the beach last september. We love you and our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love you Wanda! Tonie-Ann And Michael

---

**Tonie-Ann Vance** - January 29, 2013 at 09:26 AM



“ WE BOUGHT OUR HOUSE ON EDWARD AVE FROM BOB AND WANDA. HE WAS SUCH A SWEET MAN. HE AND WANDA EVEN HAD US OVER FOR DINNER BEFORE WE MOVED IN. HE WAS SO KIND, WE SHOWED UP TO LOOK AT THE HOUSE ON A WEEKDAY, HE INVITED US IN AND WE STAYED FOR HOURS. HE WILL BE MISSED AND WANDA YOU ARE IN OUR PRAYERS. MACKAY, CARRIE, AND GRACIE HARRIS

---

**carrie harris** - January 29, 2013 at 05:55 AM

CL

“ *Bob will be greatly missed. He was one of the kindest people that we meet in S.C. We enjoyed socializing with he and Wanda. He was a great craftsman and did wonderful work. His personality was huge and his heart bigger. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Wanda and his family.*

*Carlton and Donna Laird Rhode Island and Garden City, SC*

---

**Carlton and Donna Laird** - January 27, 2013 at 04:13 PM

KM

“ *Bob was a dear friend whom we loved like family and we will surely miss him and his large personality. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Wanda, and his family and loved ones. Bill and Kathy Moore, Kingsport, TN*

---

**Kathy Worley Moore** - January 27, 2013 at 03:29 PM

DA

*Bob you know how much I loved you. You always made me laugh. You were my brother-in-law a long time. My hearts aches for the loss of you. You were a special person. You will be missed so much! Love Delores Adams Union S.C.*

---

**Delores Adams** - January 28, 2013 at 09:39 AM

SW

*Mr Bobby you made a big expression upon me in the short time I knew you and Mrs. Wanda. You will be greatly missed and we will take great care of Mrs Wanda for you. Im lifting you and your family up in my thoughts and prayers!*

---

**sarah b white** - January 28, 2013 at 11:18 AM